

Infrared Spectrograph (IRS)



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- ♦ Key Features
 - R=600 spectroscopy, 10-40um; R=50 spectroscopy, 5-40um
 - Uses 128x128 Boeing Si:As and Si:Sb IBC arrays
 - No moving parts
 - Two R=600 modules [10-20,20-40um] operate in echelle mode
 - Two R=50 modules [5-15, 15-40um] operate in long-slit mode
 - Order sorting accomplished by filters on lo-res slits
 - Peak-up imaging at 15um incorporated into short-lo module
 - ◆ Allows acquisition of sources with poorly known positions
 - ◆ Can be used with any module, or independently for photometry
 - Operates in staring and scanning modes
 - Prototype has been used at Palomar observatory

♦ Performance:

Measures complete spectrum of any IRAS source in just a few minutes